

**REMARKS****I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-19, 21-25 and 27-38 are pending in the application.

Claims 4-12, 14, 15, 17-19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, and 29-38 were designated as corresponding to the count in Interference No. 105,288. Adverse judgment has been entered in that interference against both applicant and the junior party with respect to the count on the basis of prior art included in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith.

Claims 1-3, 13, 16, 23, and 28 of the current application were not designated as corresponding to the count in the interference. Each of claims 13, 16, 23, and 28 has been rewritten in independent form to include the limitations of the independent claim from which they depended along with any intervening claims. Independent claims 4, 9, 14, 17, 24, 29 33 and 35 as well as dependent claims 5-8, 10, 18, 30-32, 34 and 36-38 have been canceled. Each of dependent claims 11, 12, 15, 19, 21, 22, 25 and 27 have been amended to depend from one of independent claims 13, 16, 23, or 28.

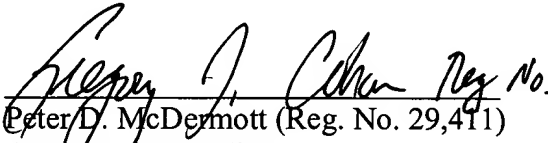
New claims 39-53 have been added.

**III. Conclusion**

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment and reconsideration of claims 1-3, 11-13, 15, 16, 19, 21-23, 25, 27, 28 and 39-53.

Respectfully submitted,  
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